

"BE YE SEPARATE."

The insulated Christian is not the isolated Christian. He does not stand aloof from those who need his sympathy or his help. With every righteous cause and every sorrowing soul he comes into the closest touch, but toward every sinful suggestion and every temptation he presents a non-conducting surface. He is cut loose from the earth like a man on an electric stool.

This kind of Christian life is vastly the most comfortable. There may be storms all about the insulated Christian of which he is unconscious, if only his insulation is perfect enough. Many a man has just enough religion to make him thoroughly miserable. It shocks him like electricity from the battery. The remedy is not to get less, but to get more; not to cut loose from the electric, thrilling force which flows into the soul united to Christ, but to insulate one's self from the world.

It is only half the story to say that that the insulated Christian is cut off from the world; he lives in constant communion with God. It is because he is thus filled more and more with all the fulness of God that the process of insulation becomes more and more complete; the bonds which bind him to the earth are burned off, one after another. — N.Y. Observer.

FEW, BUT RIGHT.

Do you think you are any more likely to be wrong because you are in a very small minority. Majorities have always been wrong, in matters of religion, from the fall of man until now. When the flood came, who knew it? Who were saved? Noah and his family—right persons! Only these in all the world were right. Not a single convert gained during that long preaching of righteousness, outside of his own family, and perhaps not these. When the cities of Sodom were destroyed, who knew it beforehand, besides Abraham? And who were saved, besides Lot and his two daughters? When Nebuchadnezzar was monarch of the world, and made a ponderous image, and commanded all to worship it, who were right, save three that would not obey the sinful command?—*Selected.*

Childrens Department.

DO SOMETHING.

"Do something, do it soon, with all thy might;
An angel's wing would droop if long at rest,

And God, inactive, were no longer blest.
Some high or humble enterprise of good
Contemplate, till it shall possess thy mind,
Become thy study, passtime, rest and food,
And kindle in thy heart a flame refined;
Pray heaven for firmness thy whole soul to bind

To this high purpose; to begin, pursue,
With thoughts all fixed and feelings purely kind

Strength to complete and with delight review,

And strength to give the praise where all is due."

Nappanee, Ind., Sept. 26th, 1894.

Dear Editor:—I am late getting my letter in this month but will try and do better next. I have written nine letters for the EVANGELIST, with this one. I did not see my last letter in print. In two weeks from next Saturday night is our time for meeting again at Union Salem, then we expect to have a series of meetings. We do not know how long it will continue. At our last meeting we had one convert; a boy twelve years old. Prayer meeting still continuing.

CORA A. BECKNELL.

Waterloo, Iowa, Sept. 16th, 1894.

Dear Editor:—August 29th we had our annual picnic at the Cedar river. I think they all had a nice time. Across the river there are some high bluffs where some people were camping. We wandered up the river and found a small spring which had good fresh water. We ate our dinner in groups. After dinner we went in bathing; we also gathered shells. We had no treat but are going to give the money to some orphan's home.

EDITH LICHTY.

Red Oak, Ia., Sept. 20th, 1894.

Dear Editor:—I wrote two letters to the EVANGELIST in August, but I only seen one published in the last number. There was a temperance meeting here about two weeks. School began Sept. 3, 1894. That is the reason I did not write sooner. I will ask a few questions. What is the middle book of the entire Bible? What is the longest verse in the Bible? How many words in the New Testament?

CLEMMMA HENRICKS.

Shendun, Va., Sept. 18th, 1894.

Dear Editor:—This is my sixth attempt to write for the children's page. We had a nice rain yesterday. I am fifteen years old and my brother was eighteen years old Sunday. My sister's husband has got the fever; I hope he will soon get well. Brother Hall is going to preach for us next Sunday; he preaches here once a month. Hoping to hear from other boys and girls, I close.

NETTIE A. GARLAND.

Crete, Neb., Sept. 15, 1894.

Dear Editor:—This is nice fall weather. The last three weeks it rained every week. We were at a wedding last Tuesday eve;

had a nice time. Papa performed the ceremony. The same evening a woman died in Crete from Typhoid fever and left five little children. Yesterday I went with Mamma to the depot to see Papa off on the train. He went to preach. I would like a train of my own and have Mamma for porter, cook and Pullman conductor.

CLARENCE V. ZOOK.

Limestone Hill, W. Va., Sept. 22nd, '94.

Dear Editor:—This is two letters for this month—one for January. I will answer Ada Sanger's question: girl is mentioned once in the Bible. I will answer Pearl Yagel's question: Noah was 950 years old when he died. I will ask a question: Which is the middle chapter and the least in the Bible? I will close for this time.

VIOLA M. BOORD.

Akron, Ind., Oct. 15th, 1894.

Dear Editor:—Then Moses asked Jethro to let him go to Egypt, to see if his brethren were yet alive. So Jethro said, "Go in peace." And the Lord said to Aaron, "Go into the wilderness to meet Moses." And he went and met him in the mount of God, and kissed him and Moses told Aaron all the words of the Lord who had sent him, and all the signs which he had commanded him."

MAUD HOFFMAN.

Cornell, Ill., Sept. 26th, 1894.

Dear Editor:—J. H. Palmer held a series of meetings here. He baptized ten and two to be baptized; I enjoyed the meeting very much. Friday morning Mr. Palmer took sick and went home. I think Mr. Palmer done his best in preaching; I like to hear him preach. The Dunkards are holding a protracted meeting now, Rev. George Cripe preaches for them. We had a very hard rain Saturday. I will close for this time.

BENJAMIN MAST.

Sullivan, Ohio, Sept. 23rd, 1894.

Dear Editor:—Our communion will be the 13th of Oct. I was to Sunday school today. Our lesson was a review today and it was very interesting. I am glad we have a page in the EVANGELIST and I am glad that so many children are writing such nice letters for the children's column. D. J. Myers who has been sick all summer is up and around; I hope he will get well.

Yours in love,

MYRTLE S. HART.

Bakersville, Sept. 25th, 1894.

Dear Editor:—I will try and write another letter to the children's column. Our winter school commenced last Monday. Mr. Hiram Beck is my teacher; I like him very well. I will answer Pearl Yagel's question: Noah was 950 years old when he died. I will also answer Carrie Hauman's question: Cain was the first murderer; he killed his brother Abel. I will ask a question: How old was adam when he died?

Your Friend,

MAUD MILLER.

Lavater says, "Each particle of matter is an immensity, each leaf a world, each insect an inexplicable compendium."

"It is a remark of Baxter's that he never knew any minister much honored, even though a devoted man, unless he expected success, and had strong faith."